

# **Computational Fabrication**

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Economist.com

This violin was made using an EOS laser-sintering 3D printer (and it plays beautifully)

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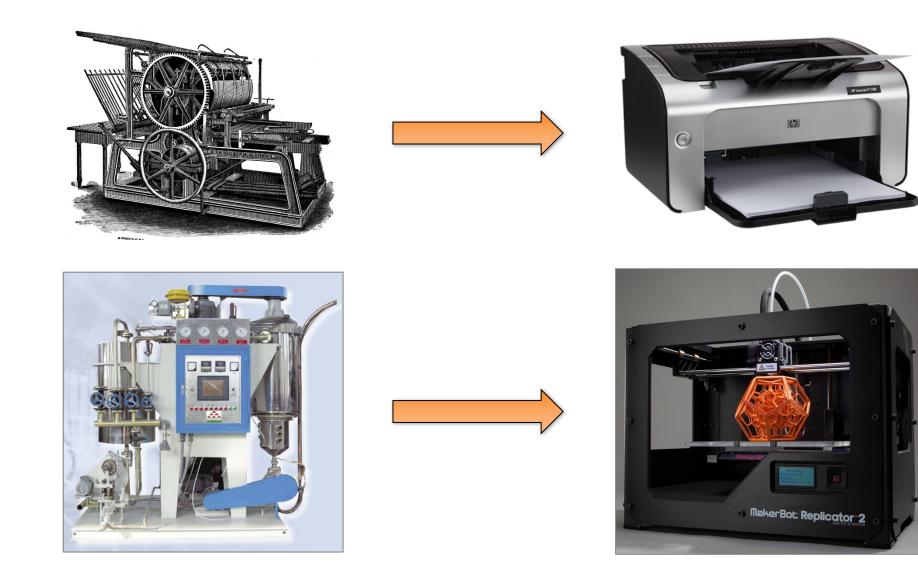
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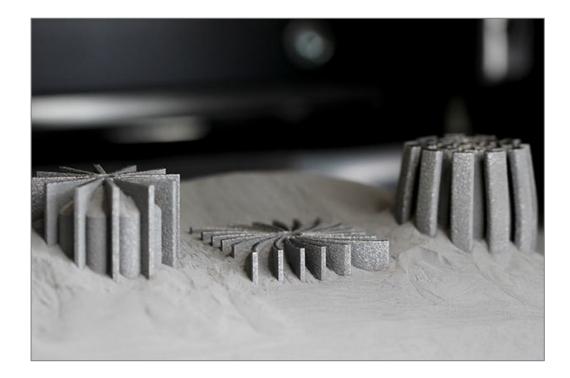
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#### Additive Manufacturing

- Additive vs. Subtractive
  - Most "traditional" manufacturing (e.g. with lathes, mills) is subtractive
- "3D Printing" coined at MIT in 1995





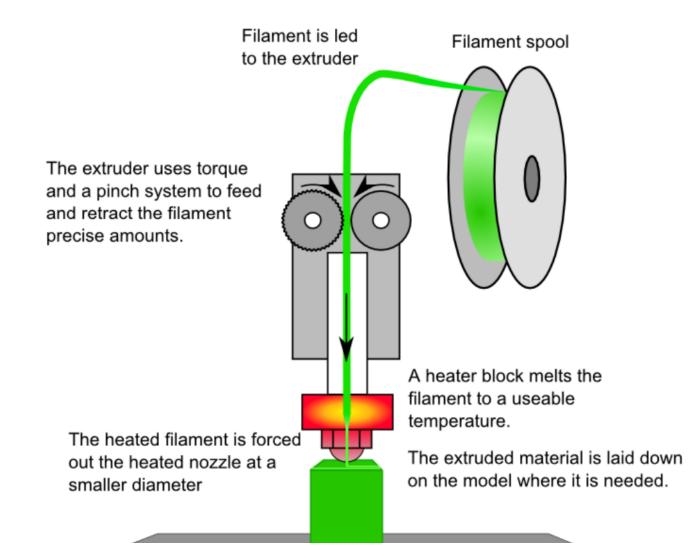
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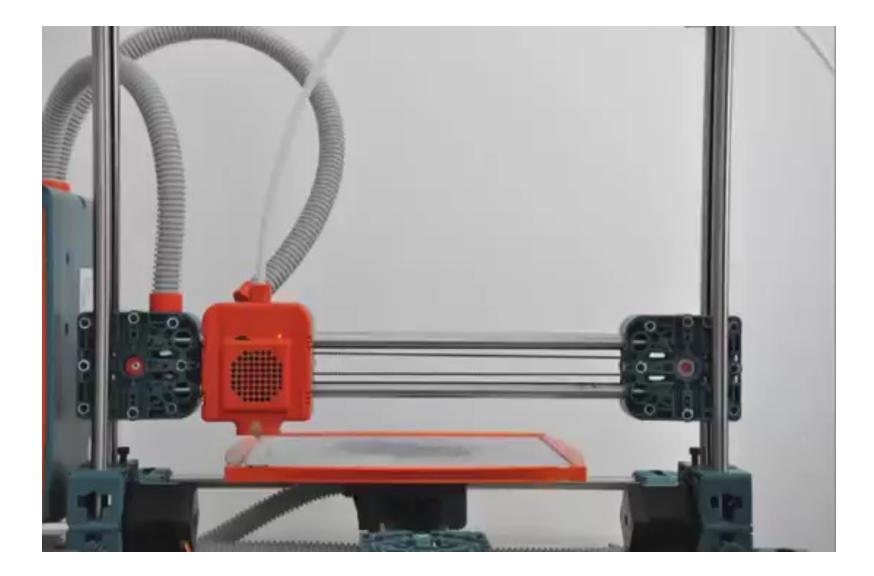
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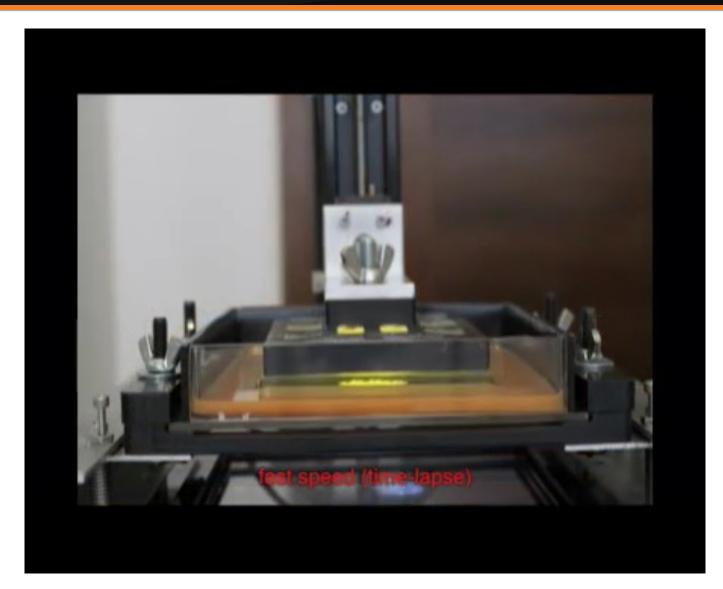
MakerBot Replicator 2 ~\$2K

More units sold per month than OBJET Connex ever

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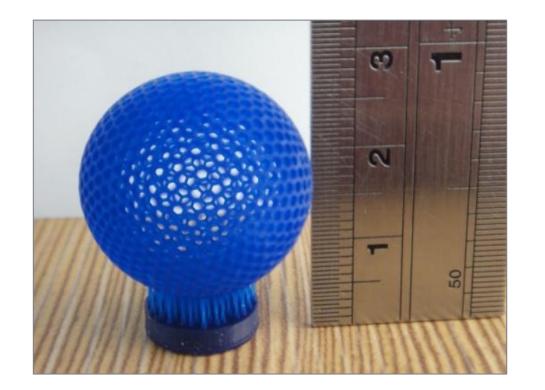
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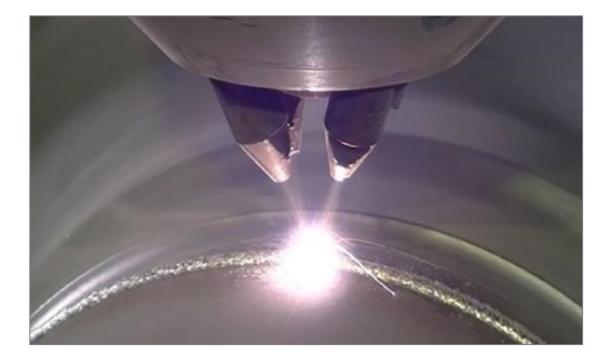




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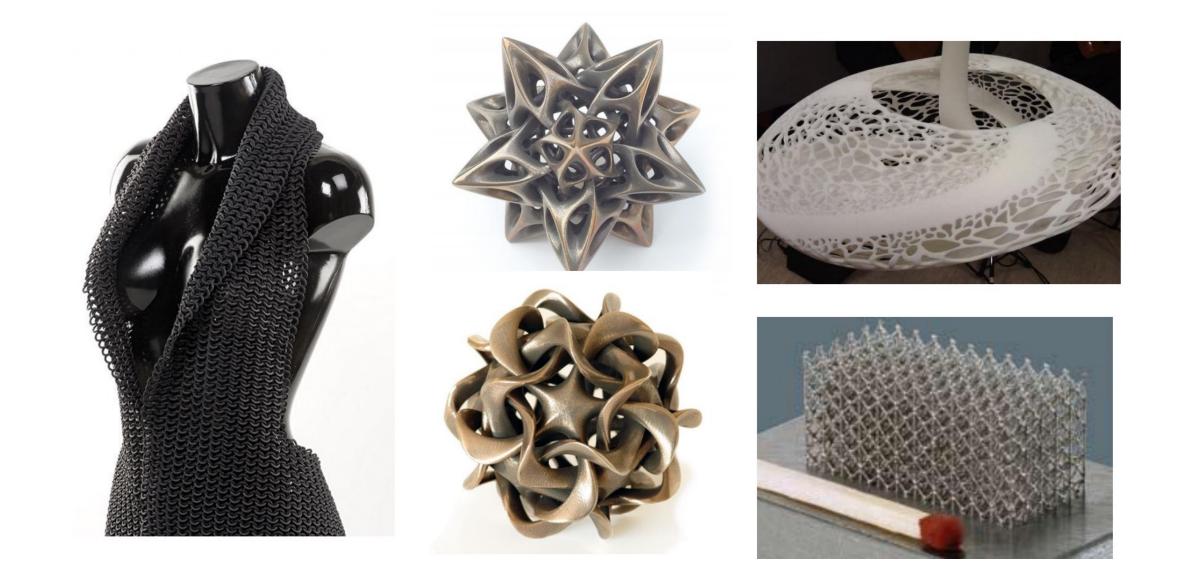
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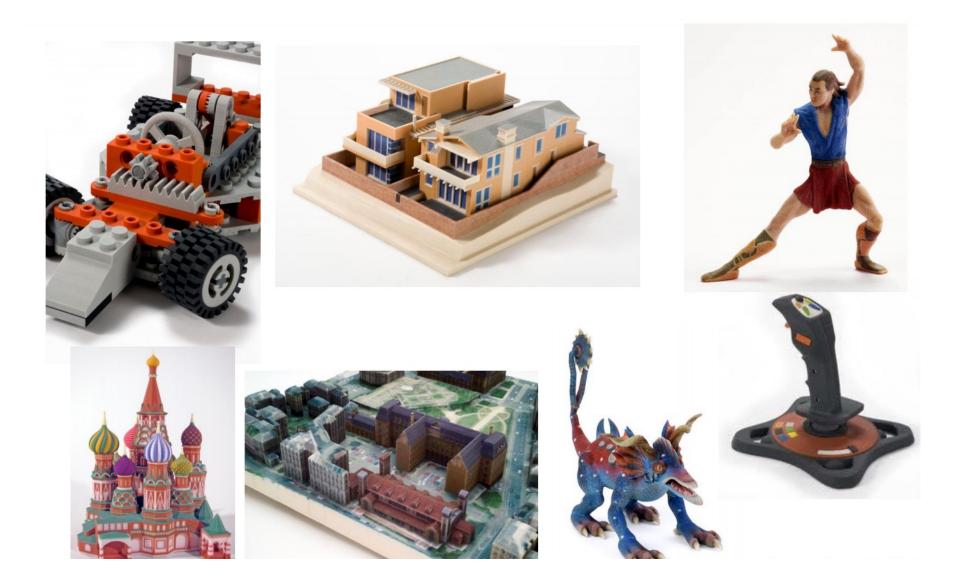
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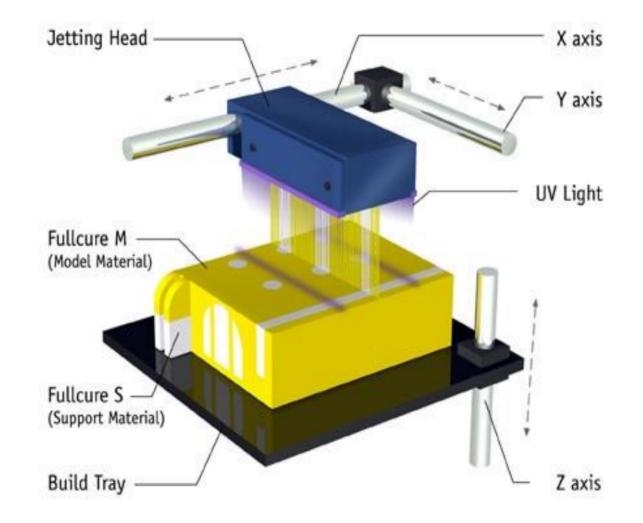


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- Bio-compatible
- High-temperature
- ABS-like
- Transparent
- Opaque
- Rigid
- Rubber-like

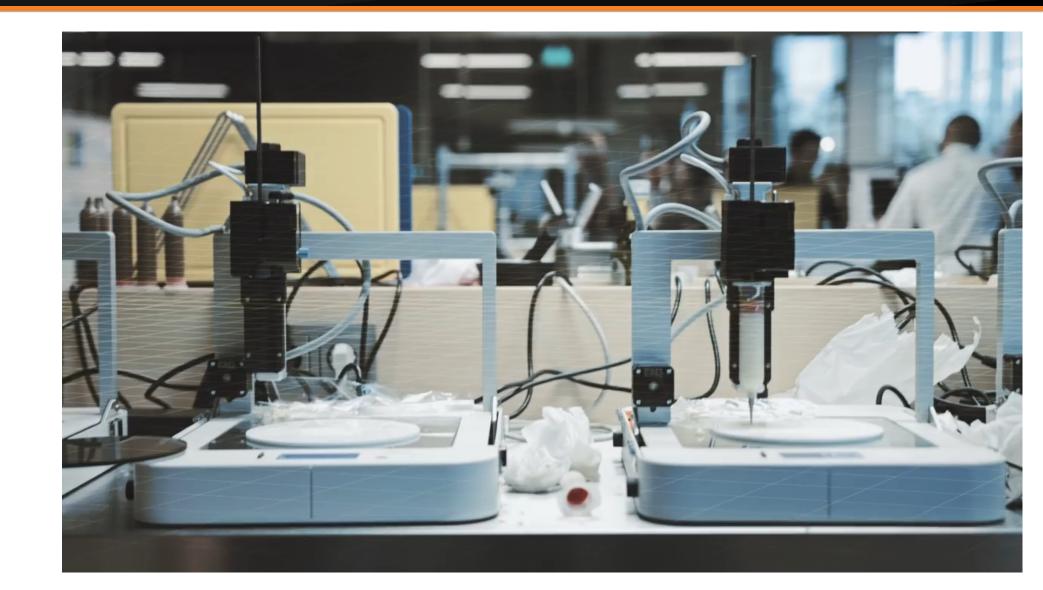






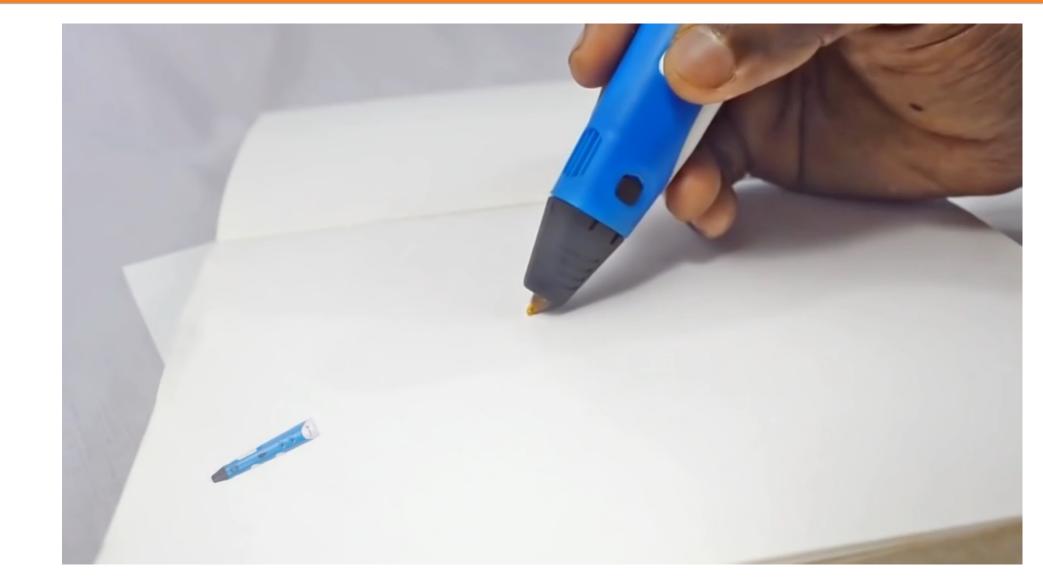
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- Construction



## Applications

- Jewelry
- Dental and Medical
- Footwear
- Architecture, Engineering and Construction
- Aerospace

- Automotive
- Consumer Home Products
- Toys and Gadgets
- Art
- Education



#### Jewelry (direct metal printing and casting patterns)















#### Dental and Medical Industries



Crowns, copings, bridges



**Custom Hearing Aids** 



Implants



Prosthetics

## Applications

#### Footwear









### Applications

• Architecture



Models



Molds

# Applications

#### Aerospace



Airbus wing brackets



Bird skeleton inspired wing structures



Automotive







3D Printed Ventilation Prototype (High Temperature 3D Printing Material)



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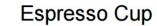


Lamp



Platter

Egg cup





Pencil bowl

Source: Shapeway

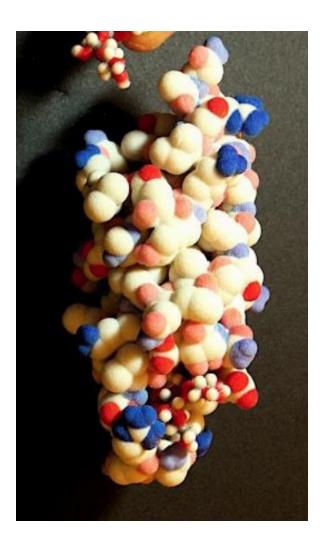


#### • Toys, Art & Education







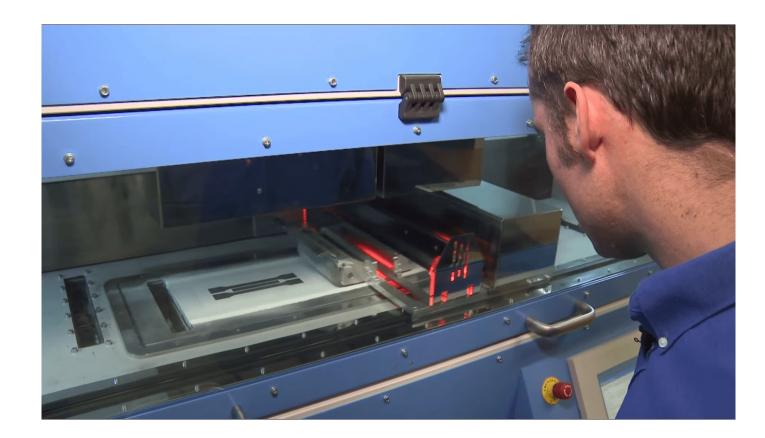




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- Mechanical + Electrical Engineering Challenges
  - Slow Printing 5" x 5" x 5" object takes 10+ hours
  - Expensive \$100 / lb
  - Print Volume



- Material Challenges
  - Physical properties:
    - Strength / weight
    - Deformability (stretchy, flexible)
    - Magnetism, conductivity
    - Heat resistance and transfer
  - Optical properties:
    - Color
    - Shininess, roughness
    - Translucency
    - BRDF...
  - Interfaces between materials



Spider silk: tough materials



Lotus leaf: hydrophobic surface



Termites mound the natural cooler



Bird: the natural airplane



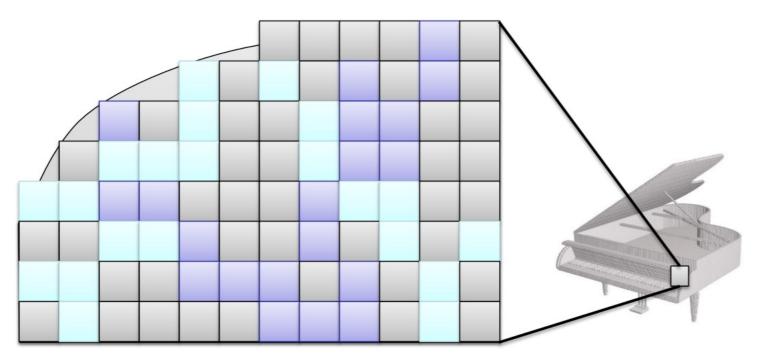
Eye: nature's best camera



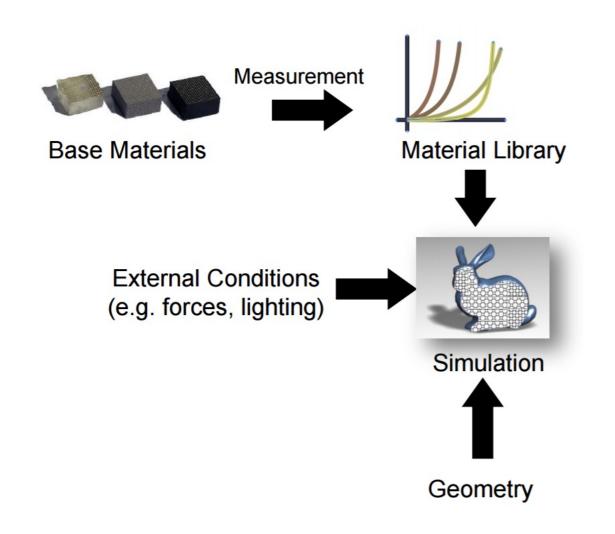
Dolphins the best ship

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  - Data Requirements & Representations:

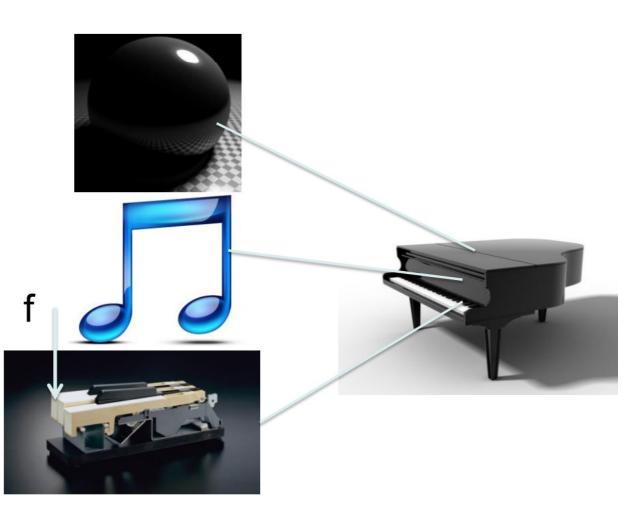
Giga voxels/inch<sup>3</sup>, Tera voxels/foot<sup>3</sup>



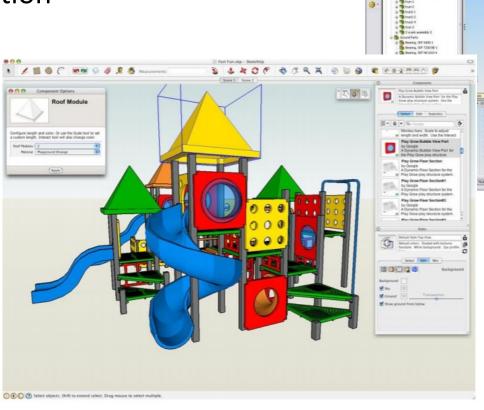
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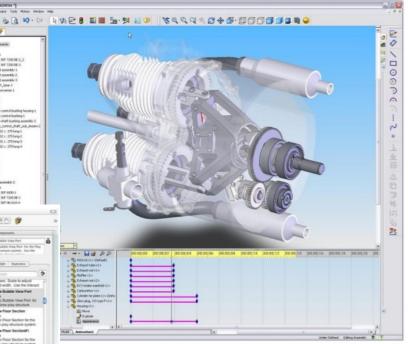


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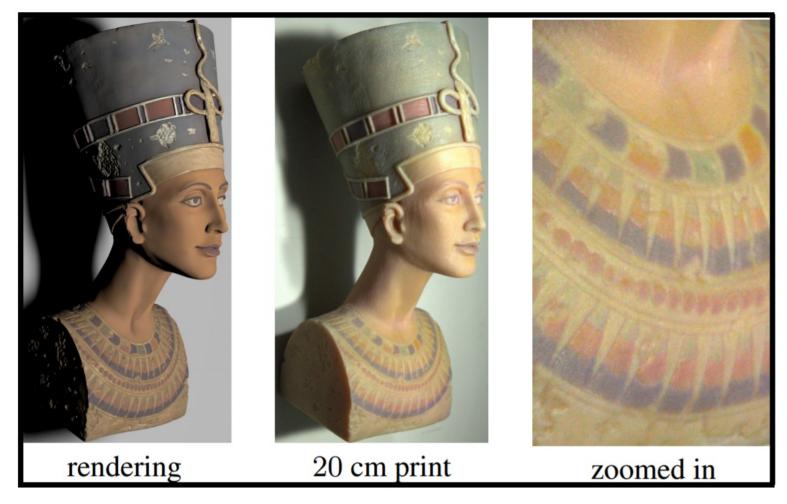
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Pushing the Limits of 3D Color Printing: Error diffusion with translucent materials [2015]

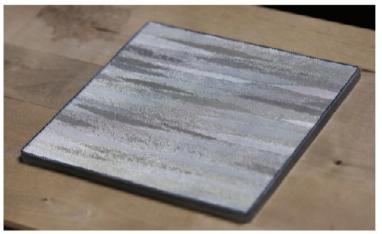
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  - Caustics

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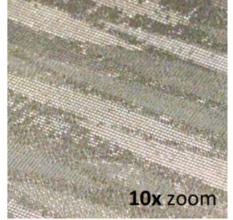
- Reflectance

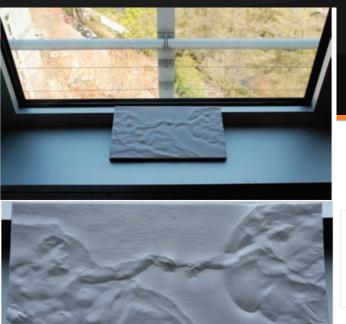


ShadowPIX: Multiple Images from Self-Shadowing [2012]



Bi-Scale Appearance Fabrication [2013]





Reliefs as images [2010]



Goal-Based Caustics [2011]

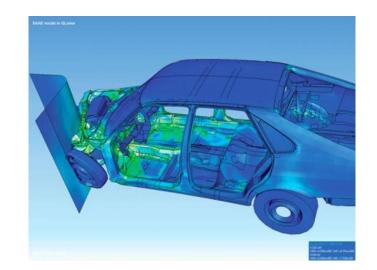


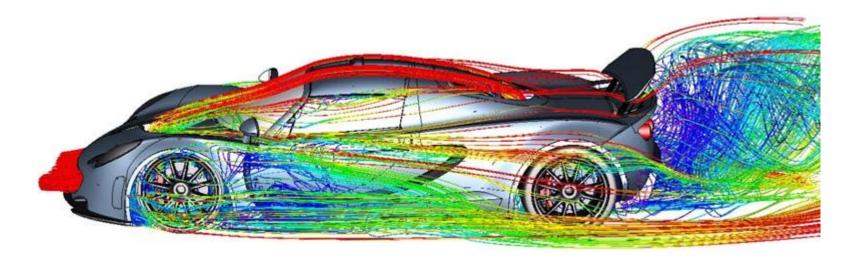
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    - Imitation of physical phenomena
    - Tradeoffs between predictive and merely "visually plausible" behavior
    - Speed, stability, art-directability





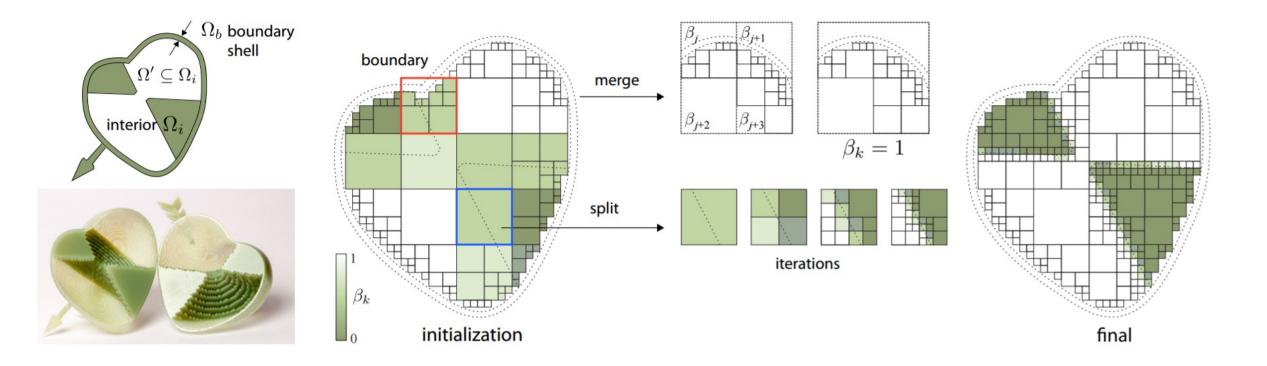


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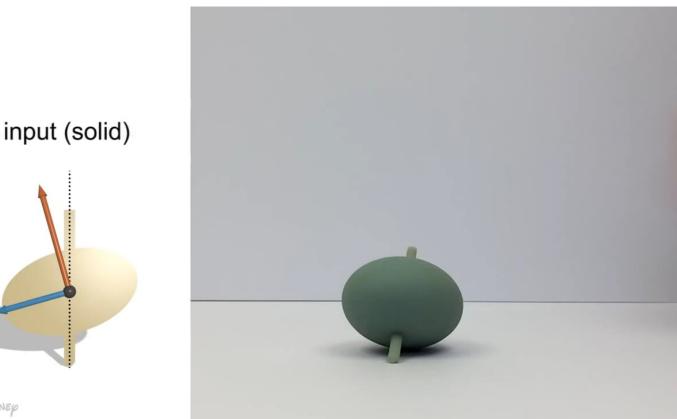
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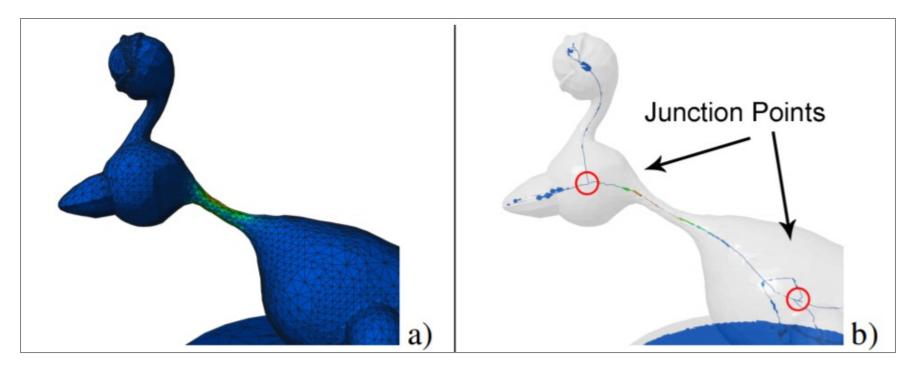
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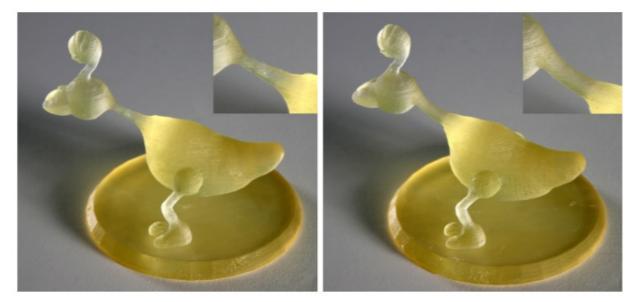
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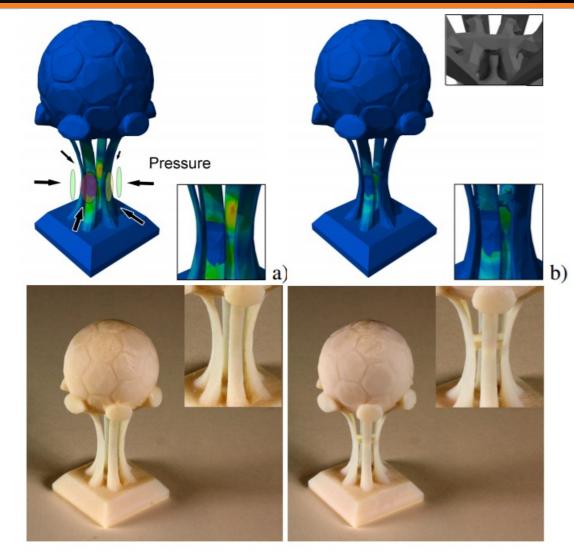
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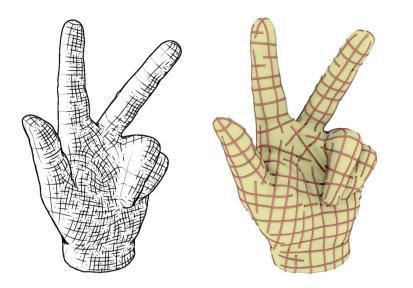
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#### Field-aligned mesh joinery [2014]



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# **Pipeline Overview**

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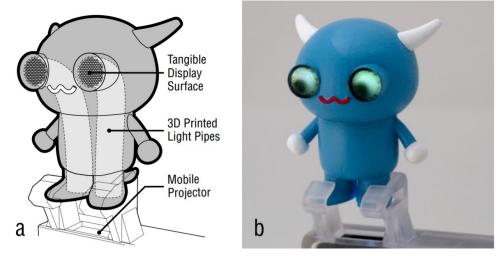


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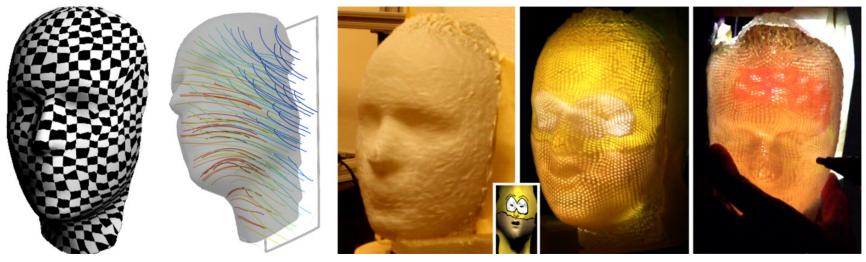


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  - Appearance
  - Integrity and deformation
  - High-Level Design
  - Process optimization
  - Frame works

• Appearance



Printed Optics: 3D Printing of Embedded Optical Elements for Interactive Devices [2012]



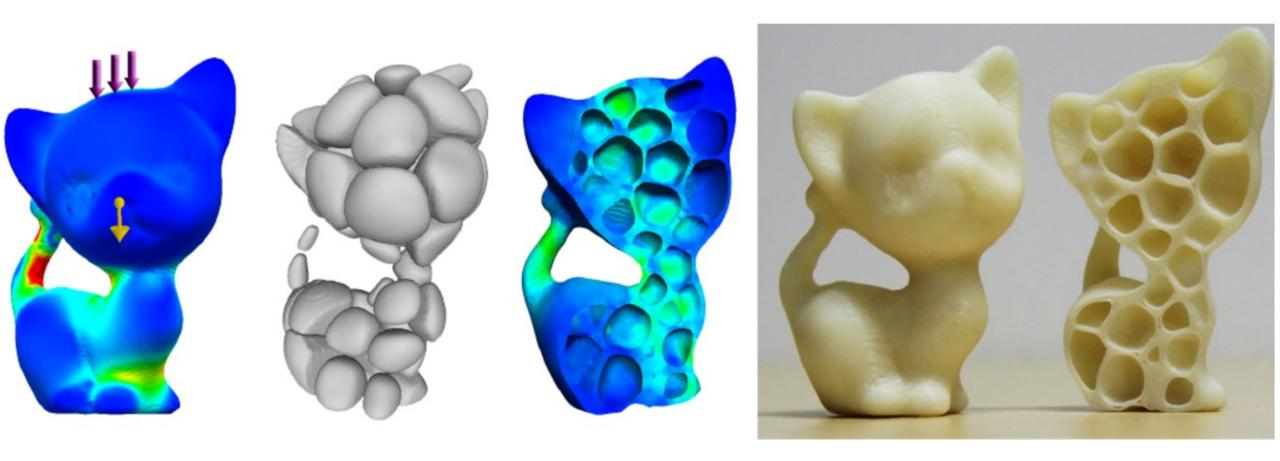
Computational light routing: 3D printed fiber optics for sensing and display [2014]

#### • Appearance



Synthesis of filigrees for digital fabrication [2016]

Integrity



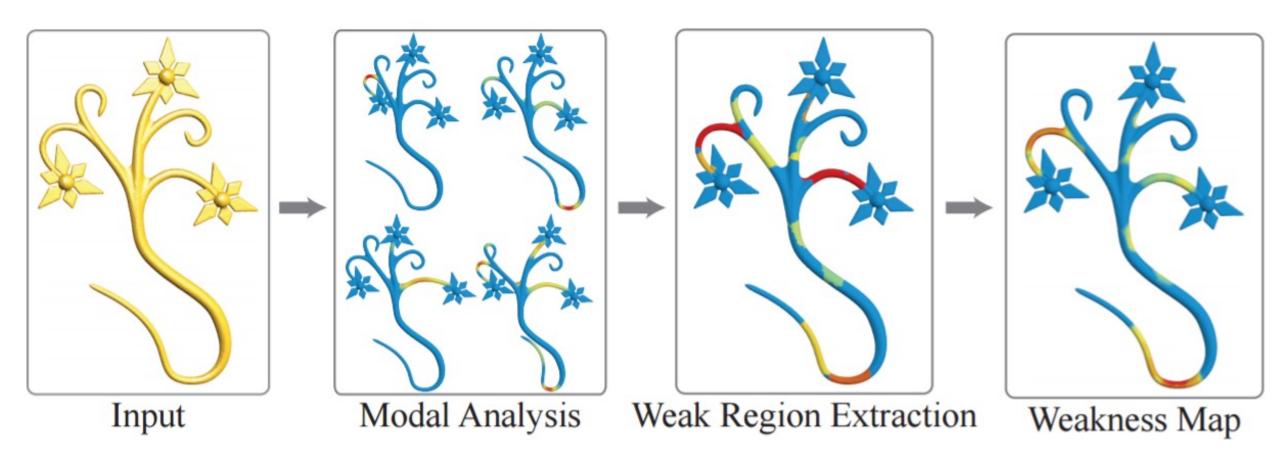
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# A System for High-Resolution Topology Optimization

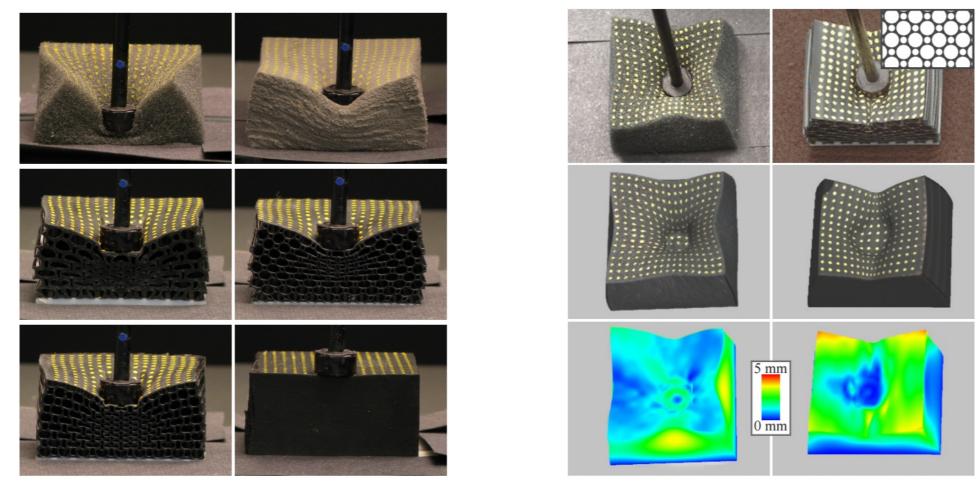
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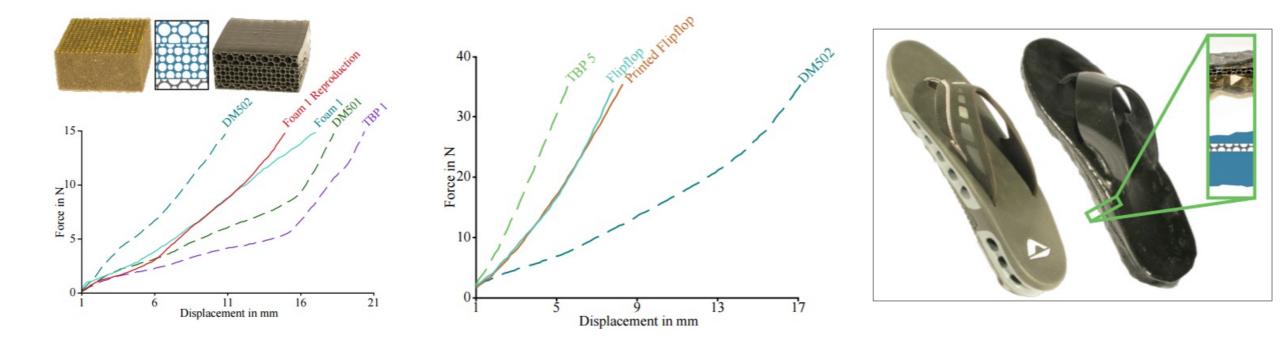
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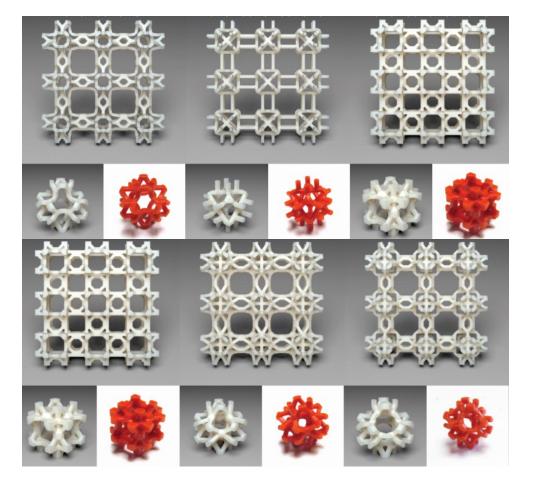
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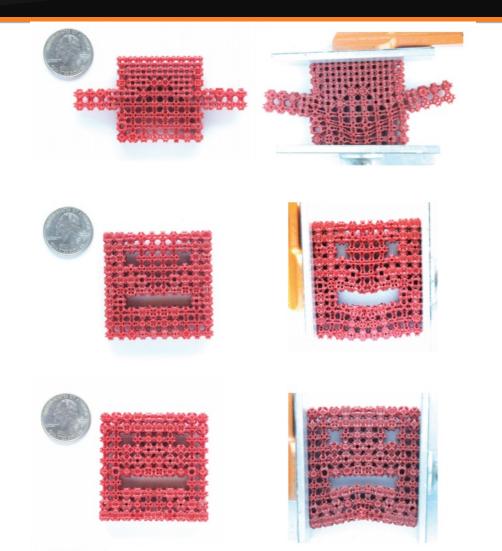
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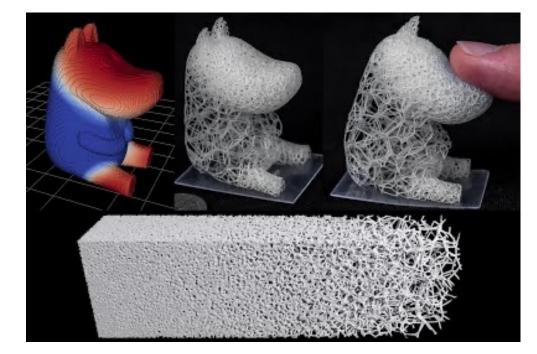
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Elastic textures for additive fabrication [2015]

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Procedural Voronoi foams for additive manufacturing [2016]



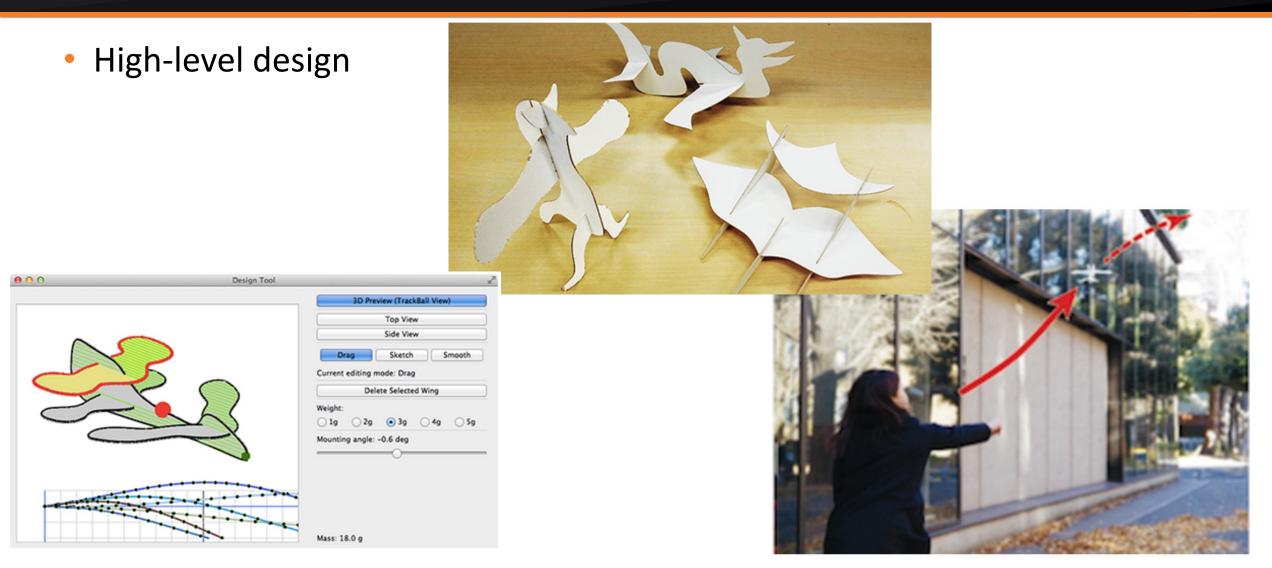
Microstructures to control elasticity in 3D printing [2015]

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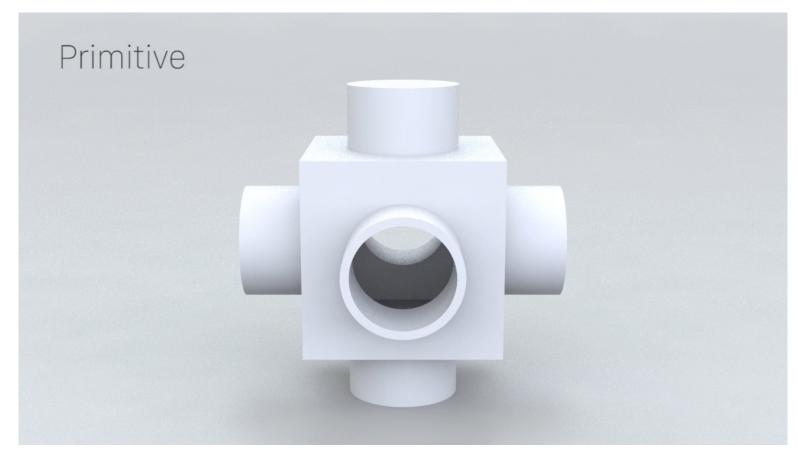
Computational design of actuated deformable characters [2013]

input animation



Pteromys: Interactive design and optimization of free-formed freeflight model airplanes [2014]

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Acoustic voxels: Computational optimization of modular acoustic filters [2016]

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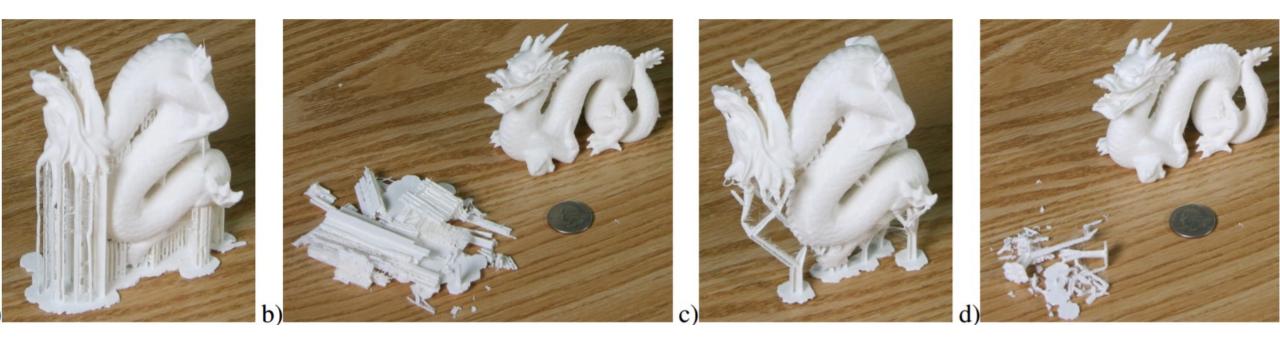
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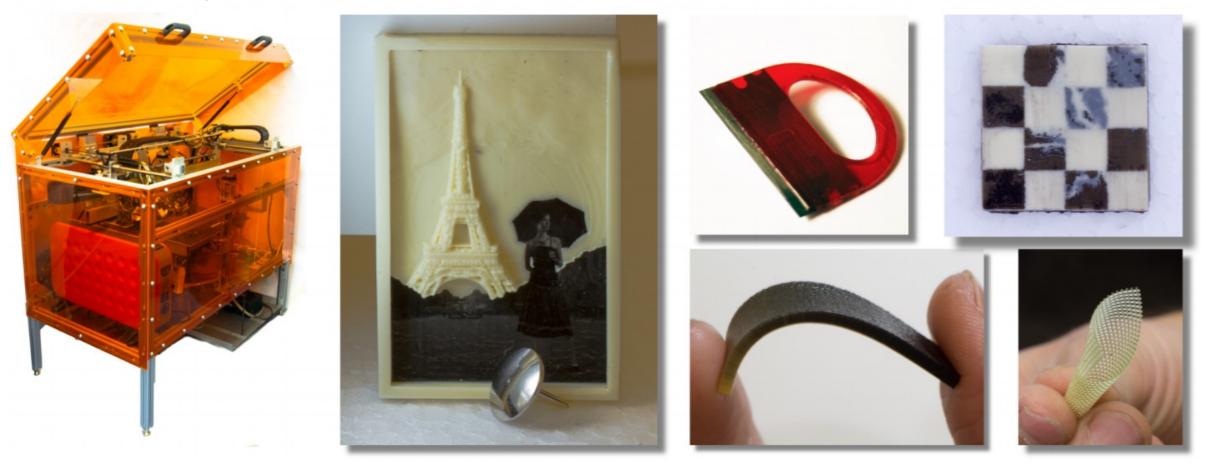
Clever support: Efficient support structure generation for digital fabrication [2014]

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Chopper: Partitioning models into 3D-printable parts [2012]

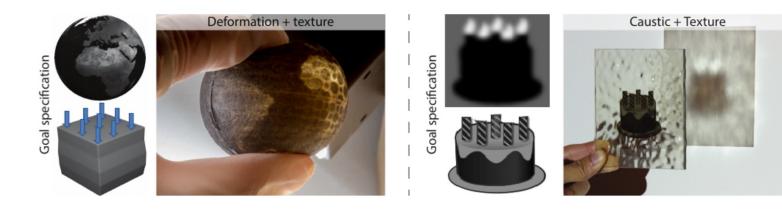
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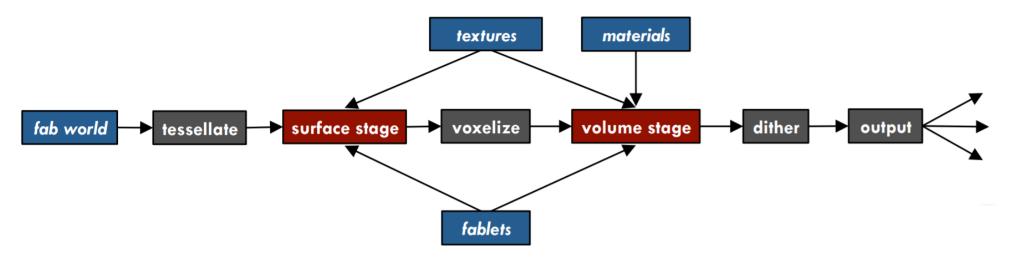


Multifab: A machine vision assisted platform for multi-material 3d printing [2015]

### Frameworks

Spec2Fab: A reducer-tuner model for translating specifications to 3D prints [2013]





Openfab: A programmable pipeline for multi-material fabrication [2013]



## What Does the Future Hold?

- Hierarchical Representations
- Leveraging large collections
- More objectives
- Procedural or purely objective based design
- Medical arena

